Loss caused by drought

95. SHRI KAPIL VERMA:
SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI MIRZA IRSHADBAIG:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total population affected by drought this year, state--wise;

(b) what is the estimated loss of production in terms of quality of various produce in monetary terms, particularly in respect of Gujarat;

(c) what is the aggregate demands of the States including Gujarat and the Centre's response to the same; and

(d) what are the immediate measures being worked out or planned to help distressed people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) Statements-I showing the State-wise population and cropped area affected including the State of Gujarat due to drought in 1987 is attached. (*See* below) Information on estimated loss of production in terms of quality of various produce in monetary terms is not available.

(c) Central assistance amounting to Rs. 5907.41 crores has been sought by the affected States|Union Territories. A ceiling of expenditure of Rs. 866.86 crores has so far been approved for drought relief.

(d) Various measures of immediate nature taken to tackle the current drought are given in the attached Statment-II.

Statement-I

The population and cropped area affected by drought during post monsoon period of 1987

S. No.	State /U.T.	Population affected (in lakhs)	Cropped Area affected (lakh ha.)
1	2	3	4
1	Andhra Pradesh	272 90	34 00
2	Gujarat	296.00	71 00
3	Haryana	94 00	13 97
4	Himachal Pradesh	35 70	4 21
5	Jammu & Kashmir	25.00	3 70
6	Kerala	254.50	9.82
7	Karnataka	110 50	37 80
8	Maharashtra	N.R.	17.28
9	Madhya Pradesh	130.00	17.80
10	Nagaland	2.50	0.68
11	Orissa	106 00	23 77
12	Rajasthan	224.00	108.53
13	Punjab	N.R	4 96*
14	Tamil Nadu	455 95	3 01

1	2	3	4
15	Uttar Pradesh	840.64	102.28
16	Andaman & Nicobar Islands . . .	0.53	0.16
17	Chandigarh	0.31	0 20
18	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	1.03	0.22
19	Delhi	4.81	0.86
20	Daman & Diu	N.R.	0.20
21	Pondicherry	0.28	0.11
	TOTAL	2854.45	454.20

* Area Unsowned
N.R.=Not reported

Statement-II

Steps taken to meet the drought situation of 1987

— Central Ground Water Board permitted procure 17 high power rigs for supplementing efforts of the States.

— A fodder scheme formulated for 7 States for covering an area of 2.25 lakh ha. to give subsidy to small and marginal farmers at Rs. 300/- and Rs. 400/- per ha. respectively.

— Rural Electrification Corporation is charged with the task of energising 1.25 lakh pumps in drought affected areas.

— Special arrangements made for providing wheat seed to Jammu & Kashmir and Bihar.

— For specified irrigation projects in drought affected States and additional outlays of Rs. 118 crores has been made for accelerating the subjects.

— Central assistance is being extended for nutrition programme in all the Non-ICDS drought affected areas.

— Allocation of food grains to states upto 50 per cent of Central assistance for employment generation for distribution to persons employed on relief works.

Flood relief to States

96. SHRI F. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated loss of life, crops and property due to the recent floods in Assam, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar;

(b) the total amount sanctioned to each State Government for the same;

(c) the total amount released to the each State upto October 31, 1987; and

(d) the total amount actually spent by each State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) A Statement showing the extent of damages to life, crops, property due to floods during monsoon period of 1987 as reported by the States of Assam, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar is attached. (*See* below).